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BCS Partners with ProActive to deliver SFI*plus* Products in Australia and New Zealand

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, is pleased to announce a new partnership with ProActive Services Pty Ltd which will see SFI*plus* products and services delivered to IT professionals in Australia and New Zealand. This latest agreement is part of a strategy by the Institute to further extend its reach to IT professionals across the globe.

This latest international partnership follows similar successful arrangements, including an agreement with iSQI, a leading certifier in the field of software quality which will see BCS qualifications being translated into German and Spanish.

Michiel van der Voort, International Director at BCS, explains: "IT is a global profession and we are therefore keen to promote and enable professionalism to IT practitioners wherever they work. This latest agreement will help to set SFI*plus* as an international standard."

ProActive Services, a long established ITIL services company and a BCS-accredited training organisation, will extend its services to include skills capabilities analysis using SFI*plus* as an IT skills and competency framework. In addition, as a reseller, ProActive Services will offer SFI*plus* to Australasian organisations, backed up by suitable consultancy and support services. ProActive is the largest accredited provider of BCS Service Management qualifications outside the UK.

Bob Philipson, ProActive Services Pty Ltd Managing Director says: "Well-trained and motivated staff are key to the success of any enterprise, and no more so than IT where there can be high staff turn-

over in the quest for improved skills and financial rewards. At the same time, the disconnect that can exist between IT and the 'business' can lead to a lack of identification by IT staff with their employee organisation. SFI**Aplus** helps meet the above challenges in a very cost-effective way."

He adds: "We look forward to continuing our long standing relationship with the BCS to offer Australian and New Zealand organisations with proven products and services to help organisations transform the business of IT."

Andy Doyle, BCS Account Management and Sales Manager, will be the guest speaker at a series of ProActive-run events commencing in Melbourne on the 23rd June. For further details, visit www.proactiveservices.com.au

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We bring together industry, academics, practitioners and government to share knowledge, promote new thinking, inform the design of new curricula, shape public policy and inform the public.

As the professional membership and accreditation body for IT, we service over 70,000 members including practitioners, businesses, academics and students in the UK and internationally. We deliver a range of professional development tools for practitioners and employees.

A leading IT qualification body, we offer a range of widely recognised professional and end-user qualifications.

About ProActive Pty Ltd:

In 1987, ProActive Services was established in Australasia with the aim of helping IT service providers to deliver quality, cost-effective services aligned to business needs. Since then, ProActive have become the region's leading supplier of IT Service Management (ITSM) consultancy and training services based on the best practice defined in the IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL), the basis of ISO/IEC 20000, the international standard for IT Service Management.

ProActive were responsible for introducing ITIL into Australia and have a very comprehensive suite of services that includes integrating all IT Governance that underpins the IT services lifecycle. ProActive are Australia and New Zealand's longest serving ITIL training provider and have trained in excess of 28,000 students in IT Service Management. ProActive is an ISEB Accredited Training Organisation.